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To: Members of the staff

From: Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: DEPENDENCY ALLOWANCES FOR STAFF IN THE PROFESSIONAL AND HIGHER CATEGORIES AND IN THE FIELD SERVICE CATEGORY*

1. * On the basis of the recommendation presented by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) in its twenty-second annual report,[1] the General Assembly, by its resolution 50/216 of 18 December 1996, approved increases in the children's allowance and in the secondary dependants' allowance of staff members in the Professional and higher categories, with effect from 1 January 1997, from their current levels of $1,400 and $500 per annum to $1,510 and $540 per annum, respectively.

2. The General Assembly also approved the recommendation of ICSC to provide for increases of the same proportions in those duty stations where the amounts of these allowances are currently established in local currencies. A list of these countries and the related local currency amounts of the children's allowance and the secondary dependants' allowance applicable from 1 January 1997 is contained in the annex to the present circular.

3. In keeping with past practice, the revised amounts will also be applicable as of 1 January 1997 in respect of eligible children of staff members in the Field Service category.

Notes

[1] Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-first Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/51/30), paras. 198 and 200.

* Personnel Manual index No. 3380.

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ANNEX

Amounts of children's and secondary dependants' allowances in designated countries

(Local currency)

(Rates effective 1 January 1997)

Country	Currency	Children's allowance per year	Secondary dependants' allowance per year
Austria	Schilling	24 656	9 108
Belgium	Belgian franc	61 247	19 588
Denmark	Danish krone	11 512	3 328
France	French franc	8 849	2 936
French Guiana	French franc	8 849	2 353
Germany	Deutsche mark	3 540	1 270
Ireland	Irish pound	999	327
Japan	Yen	347 907	158 050
Luxembourg	Luxembourg franc	61 247	19 555
Monaco	French franc	8 849	2 936
Netherlands	Netherlands guilder	3 902	1 329
Switzerland	Swiss franc	2 935	1 308
United States of America and the rest of the world	United States dollar	1 510	540